

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
AUGUST 9, 2010
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:30 P.M.**

1. The invocation was given by Chaplain Vaughn Gilmore, Macedonia Baptist Church and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by City Council Page Yesenia Centeno.
2. Roll Call:
Mayor Lawrence J. Morrissey
Aldermen: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Absent: -0-
3. Alderman Mark moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of August 9, 2010, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PREVAILED.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

4. Jerry DalSanto suggested a small utility increase in lieu of laying-off police officers and firemen.
5. Dr. Robert Pfluger gave a synopsis of the banking system and distributed a detailed history of International Banking.
6. Garry Kohley spoke about current issues concerning the Mayor, aldermen, unions and the media.
7. Prophet Yusef offered suggestions to reduce the black male drop-out rate.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

8. Alderman Hervey submitted a Memorandum from Patrick Hayes, Legal Director, regarding the Community Mediation Agreement. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.
9. Alderman Hervey submitted two (2) requests for service. Referred to Community Development/Code Enforcement.
10. Alderman Thompson-Kelly submitted a Memorandum from Vicki Manson, Development Programs Manager, regarding the Purchase Agreement with Landwhite Developers, LLC for the property located at 1419 Blaisdell Avenue/Church School. Referred to Planning and Development Committee.

11. Alderman Johnson submitted a letter and pictures from a constituent regarding lawn care trucks parked at 24th Street and Broadway for several weeks. Referred to Police Department.
12. Alderman Beck submitted a Memorandum from Ronald Schultz, City Attorney, regarding the Pioneer Engineering & Environmental Services, Inc. Request for Ordinance Prohibiting Use of Groundwater at 1010-1012 East State Street. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
13. Alderman Beck submitted a Memorandum from Julia Valdez, Assistant City Administrator, regarding upcoming special events:
 1. Block 5 Festival, 8/28/10
 2. Memorial Service & March for Mark Barmore, 8/28/10
 3. Great Lakes Shriners Parade, 9/25/2010
 4. SWIFTT Festival, 9/04/10
 5. SomePlace Else II Street Fest, 8/28/10

Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.

14. Alderman Beck submitted a request from Angela Harris, Tools for School – Pencils in the Park, requesting permission for street closure of Acorn Street and Park Service Drive, the City will provide barricades, from August 14, 2010, 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm, at Fairgrounds Park, 450 Kilburn Avenue. Alderman Beck moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Curran. MOTION PREVAILED.
15. Alderman Beck submitted a request from S. MacVenn, in conjunction with Honor the Mounds Gathering, requesting permission for barricades on Park Avenue (parking spaces), from August 14, 2010, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, at 400 N. Main Street (Beattie Park). Alderman Beck moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Curran. MOTION PREVAILED.
16. Alderman Beck submitted a request from Jim Darr, Victory Tap's Bike Ride, in conjunction with a fundraiser for St. Jude's, requesting permission for liquor outdoors within a confined space (Outdoor "S" license), from August 14 & 15, 2010, 8:00 am to 2:00 am, at 2315 Harrison Avenue. Alderman Beck moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Curran. MOTION PREVAILED.

NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

17. Alderman Hervey read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the bids for City-Wide Microsurfacing – 2010 be rejected. LAID OVER.
18. Alderman Hervey read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Insurance Brokerage Services be made to Coyle-Varland, of Rockford, Illinois for their annual fee of \$29,000 with four annual extensions for five years. The funding source is Risk Management Fund. LAID OVER.

19. Alderman Hervey read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the Engineering Agreement: Larchmont Subdivision Water Main be made to Arnold Lundgren Associates for design engineering for a total not to exceed cost of \$28,700. The funding for this project will come from WRIA. LAID OVER.

2010-263CR

20. Alderman Hervey read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending authorization for the Fire Chief to bid on a used pumper, not to exceed \$250,000. The funding source is DCEO Grant.

Alderman Hervey moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PREVAILED. The Committee Report was placed on Passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2010- 264CR

21. Alderman Hervey read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Demolition of 414 Oakley Avenue, 509-11 Palm Street, & 966 N. Court Street be made to the low bidder for each demolition as summarized:

414 Oakley Ave.	N-Trak	\$9,268
509-511 Palm St.	Northern IL Service	\$13,997
966 N. Court St.	Northern IL Service	\$11,863

The funding source is NSP Funds.

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Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2010-265CR

22. Alderman Hervey read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Kishwaukee Street Lighting – 2010 Option #1 be made to H & H Electric, of Franklin Park, Illinois for their total bid of \$977,023.98 for Option #1. The funding source is Sales Tax.

Alderman Hervey moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PREVAILED. The Committee Report was placed on Passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2010-266CR

23. Alderman Hervey read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending a sole source contract for furniture for Human Services to Mid City Office Products of Loves Park, Illinois for a total cost of \$36,872.34 for furnishings and required labor. The funding source is Federal Grant Funds.

Alderman Hervey moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PREVAILED. The Committee Report was placed on Passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2010-267CR

24. Alderman Hervey read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the addition of the contractor, Stene's Contractors, of Freeport, Illinois for Architectural Weatherization services for Human Services Energy Division.

Alderman Hervey moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PREVAILED. The Committee Report was placed on Passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

25. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the total vouchers for the week of August 9, 2010 in the amount of \$1,990,520.78. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
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Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

26. Alderman Beck read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the amendment to Chapter II, Section 2-31, Rule 8 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to the signature requirement on committee reports to read as follows:

Section 2-31 – Rules of procedure and order of business.

(b) *Rule 8.* All reports of committees shall be addressed to the city council. A committee report shall be signed by a majority of the committee members present when a quorum exists. A committee report or city staff member may sign a committee report on behalf of another committee member upon request and in the presence of the committee member for whom said committee report is being signed. All committee reports shall include a statement as to which committee members were present at the committee meeting and those who were not.

LAID OVER.

27. Alderman Beck read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the sale of the vacant lot located at 819 Seminary Street for a minimum bid of \$2,500, which includes advertising with preference to the adjoining owner-occupied property owner. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance. LAID OVER.
28. Alderman Beck read a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Special Use Permit for a Planned Unit Development for a Multi-Family Residential Development consisting of one hundred fifty-eight (158) units on one lot in a C-3, General Commercial District at 1277 Asche Avenue and 15xx Sandy Hollow Road. Approval is subject to the following conditions:
 1. The Special Use Permit shall be in conformance with the approved building elevations as shown on Exhibit S of the staff report dated 7/15/10.
 2. The Special Use Permit shall be in conformance with the submitted sit design, layout (with modification submitted on 8/2/10) and accesses from Sandy Hollow as depicted in Exhibits L & M of the staff report dated 7/15/10.
 3. Landscaping for the site shall be in accordance with the City of Rockford Ordinances, inclusive of the open space and recreational areas.
 4. Pedestrian walkways shall be incorporated throughout the development as reviewed and approved by staff.
 5. An illumination plan shall be submitted for review and approval by staff.
 6. The existing billboard on the site shall be removed prior to issuance of building permitting for the development.
 7. The development shall be in conformance with City storm water detention ordinance and requirements.
 8. All dumpsters shall be enclosed with the same brick materials as the buildings.
 9. The parking area for the adjacent northerly commercial property shall be constructed and landscaped by June 1st if 2011 or within six (6) weeks of the opening of the Asphalt Batch Plant in Winnebago County, whichever comes later.
 10. The façade of the adjacent commercial property shall be improved as part of the residential building permit process as depicted on Exhibits N & S of the staff report dated 7/15/10; no occupancy shall be given for any building permits prior to the commercial façade improvements being completed.
 11. The existing fire land shown on the southerly portion of northerly lot as part of the Kmart Development shall be maintained clear of any vehicles, structures, parking,

etc. for the intended use of fire access. The paved area shall be repaired along the fire lane access as part of the reconstructed northerly parking lot.

12. All applicable building and fire codes shall be met as part of the development of the site.

LAID OVER.

29. Alderman Beck read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that "No Action" be taken on the following item:

Request from Russell Calvagna to repeal the existing 2-way stop sign control at the intersection of 9th Avenue and 23rd Street and replace with 4-way stop sign control.

LAID OVER.

OFFICERS REPORTS

30. Mayor Morrissey presented a Proclamation proclaiming Saturday, August 14, 2010 to be "HONORING THE MOUNDS DAY" in Rockford, Illinois and encouraged all citizens to come out and pay tribute to this historical ethnic event.
31. Mayor Morrissey presented a Proclamation proclaiming Saturday, August 14, 2010 to be "PAINT-A-THON DAY" in Rockford, Illinois and urged its citizens to recognize and contribute to this most valuable use of human resources and to pay tribute to those whose volunteers efforts have made our community great.
32. Mayor Morrissey thanked Fire Chief Bergsten, Paint-A-Thon Coordinator, for his great leadership and efforts to coordinate the many volunteers that will repair, inspect and paint the home located at 223 Clara Avenue. He also thanked the Salvation Army and Valspar Corporation for their continued support of the elderly and disabled citizens of this community by sponsoring this event each year and he encouraged all to participate in this event.
33. Mayor Morrissey mentioned the Chicago Area Storm Ready Advisory Board will hold a press conference on Wednesday, August 11, 2010 to recognize and certify the City of Rockford as "Storm Ready" for their preparedness for various storm related disasters.
34. Mayor Morrissey thanked all of tonight's public participation speakers for their concerns and suggestions regarding the budget crises. He offered words of hope and encouragement to this community and interjected we will prevail through these financial challenges.
34. Alderman Thompson-Kelly thanked Alderman Hervey for attending Bookerfest with her this past weekend.
35. Alderman Thompson-Kelly commended the Police Department for coordinating the very successful National Night Out event.

36. Alderman Thompson-Kelly mentioned Secretary of State Jesse White was in Rockford last week to campaign for organ donors.
37. Alderman Thompson-Kelly announced this Saturday, August 14, 2010, is the Tools For School Event at Fairgrounds Park. She thanked all the supporters and invited everyone to help stuff the 5000 book bags.
38. Alderman Thompson-Kelly reminded the residents of the upcoming Rockton Avenue meeting on Tuesday, August 10, 2010 from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm at St. Bernadette's Church, 2330 Bell Avenue.
39. Alderman Johnson encouraged everyone to stop by 223 Clara Avenue to show support to those volunteers who have made our community a great place to live.
40. Alderman Johnson reported the stretch of road on 22nd Street between Broadway and Charles Street is full of potholes and that a vehicle trying to avoid them lost control and landed in a nearby living room. She thanked Tim Hanson, Public Works Director, and his crew for their attention to patching/resurfacing that area since the accident.
41. Alderman Jacobson congratulated Bob Parvin for receiving the American Beverage License Individual Retailer of the Year, which is a national award and mentioned he is also in the Umpire Hall of Fame for baseball. He thanked him for being an ambassador for the City of Rockford.
42. Alderman Timm thanked Mayor Morrissey and council members for the beautiful flowers sent to him for the passing of his brother, and the cards, e-mails and calls of condolences. He thanked his daughter CJ for all the wonderful things she does for her family.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2010-268CR

43. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the Tentative Plat of Renaissance Corners. Approval is subject to the following conditions:
 1. A pavement design shall be submitted. The typical road cross section may not be sufficient for this development; therefore, the typical cross section shown on the plat may not be approved. The right-of-way shall be a minimum of 66' in width.
 2. Additional, right-of-way shall be dedicated along West State Street from Springfield Avenue to Cameron Avenue to accommodate the turn lanes and the sidewalks.
 3. A note shall be added to the plat stating that the existing access from West State Street for Lot 7 must be removed.
 4. Revisions to the traffic impact study shall be completed per the direction of the Traffic Engineer with the City of Rockford.
 5. Lydia Avenue shall be redesigned to include a radius that meets the needs of the City of Rockford Fire Department.

6. The excess right-of-way south of Lydia Avenue where it intersects with Pierpont shall be maintained by Lot 4 and a note stating such shall be made a part of the final plat.
7. Lydia Avenue shall accommodate additional right-of-way to allow for a turn lane at the intersection of Pierpont Avenue.
8. The applicant shall work with Winnebago County Highway Department and submit a traffic analysis to address any concerns and access to Springfield Avenue.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2010-269CR

44. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the right-of-way agreement with Swedish American Health Systems. The Legal Director shall prepare the necessary Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2010-270CR

45. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that the Legal Director be instructed to draw an Ordinance for No Parking Anytime in the cul-de-sac and on both sides of the 900 block of Grant Avenue. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2010-271CR

46. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that the Legal Director be instructed to draw an Ordinance that traffic on 13th Avenue be required to Yield prior to entering the intersection of 23rd Street. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2010-272CR

47. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that "No Action" be taken on the following items:

1. Request from a citizen in the 1st Ward for stop sign control at the intersection of Shiloh Close and Shiloh Road.
2. Request from Alderman Sosnowski, 1st Ward, to repeal the existing 2-way stop sign control at Silverthorn Drive and Sweetbriar Lane and replace with 4-way stop sign control.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2010-273CR

48. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the requests for Zoning Map Amendment from C-1, Limited Officer District to C-2, Limited Commercial District and a Special Use Permit for in-patient medical treatment facility and nursing care facility of more than ten acres in a C-2, Limited Commercial District at 33XX School Street and 3520 School Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Meeting all applicable building and fire codes.
2. Submittal of a final plat and building elevations for Staff review prior to the issuance of a building permit.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact. The Legal Director is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2010-274CR

49. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the requests for Zoning Map Amendment from R-2, Two-Family Residential to C-3, General Commercial District; a Special Use Permit for auto body shop, towing and outside storage of tow trucks and customer cars; a Variation to reduce the parking lot setback from twenty feet wide to ten feet wide; and a Variation to reduce the required landscape buffer width from twenty feet wide to ten feet wide long the west side adjacent

to residential in a C-3, General Commercial District at 515 and 821 Kishwaukee Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Submittal of a revised site plan including the required handicap spaces for Staff's review and approval.
2. Submittal of a landscape plan prior to issuance of a building permit for Staff's review and approval.
3. There shall be no overnight outside storage of customer vehicles and only tow trucks may be stored overnight which will be limited to the location of the new parking lot.
4. All vehicles waiting for repair shall be currently licensed and registered.
5. There shall be no outside storage of vehicle parts, tires, wrecked/damaged and/or unlicensed vehicles.
6. Submittal of a fence elevation plan to be provided for Staff's review and approval.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact. The Legal Director is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2010-275CR

50. Alderman Jacobson moved the adoption of a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending approval of the attached Development Agreement with JMZ Properties for TIF assistance up to \$47,290.00 in reimbursement of eligible redevelopment project costs. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -12-
Nays: Timm, McNeely -2-
Absent: -0-

2010-276CR

51. Alderman Jacobson moved the adoption of a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending approval of the attached Year Three Work Plan and Operational Budget for The Element in the amount of \$60,000.

Alderman Sosnowski made a motion to reduce the funding amount to **\$50,000**, seconded by Alderman Curran. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Jacobson, Johnson, Beck, Robertson -8-
Nays: Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Timm, Beach, Elyea, McNeely -6-
Absent: -0-

The Committee Report as amended was placed up for passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Jacobson, Johnson, Beck, Robertson -9-
Nays: Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Timm, Beach, McNeely -5-
Absent: -0-

2010-087-O

52. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of an Ordinance recommending approval of the City of Rockford 457 Deferred Compensation Plan, amended and restated effective as of January 1, 2010. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

2010-113R

53. Alderman Beck, on behalf of the Code and Regulation Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution for a Special Event Permit for the Blackhawk Area Council Boy Scouts of American in conjunction with the Air Camp 2010 Event being held on September 24 – September 26, 2010 at the Chicago/Rockford International Airport located at 60 Airport Drive, Rockford, Illinois. MOTION PREVAILED.

2010-114R

54. Alderman Beck, on behalf of the Code and Regulation Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution for a Special Event Permit and a Liquor Permit for consumption of liquor outdoors ("S" license) for their American Legion Post 1207 Oktoberfest on Saturday, September 28, 2010 from 9:00 am – 11:00 pm at 3835 Broadway. MOTION PREVAILED.

2010-115R

55. Alderman Beck, on behalf of the Code and Regulation Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution for street closures for the On the Waterfront Festival in downtown Rockford within fenced festival grounds for the following dates:

9/2/10	5:00 pm to Midnight
9/3/10	5:00 pm to Midnight
9/4/10	11:30 am to Midnight
9/5/10	11:30 am to Midnight

MOTION PREVAILED.

2010-116R

56. Alderman Jacobson, on behalf of the Planning and Development Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution that the City of Rockford:

- 1) Agrees to work cooperatively with other members of the local consortium to create a Regional Sustainability Plan according to federal guidance that aligns public and private investments with the Plan and agrees to participate in the Sustainability Planning process.
- 2) Agrees to allow the Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning to act as lead applicant for the Rockford region.
- 3) Upon successful award to the Rockford region, agrees to enter into a formal consortium agreement not more than 120 days after the effective date of execution of the grant.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Robertson -12-
Nays: Hervey, McNeely -2-
Absent: -0-

57. Alderman Wasco read a Motion to Discontinue the office of Human Resources Director of the City of Rockford and that the City Council devolve the duties of that office to the City Administrator: "With economic challenges facing the City of Rockford and declining revenues for the City of Rockford the City Council of the City of Rockford hereby directs the City Administrator to oversee the operations of the Human Resources Department with no additional monetary compensation to anyone unless approved by the City Council. Once the 2011 budget is approved the search for a new director or replacement may take place with the advice and consent of the City Council of the City of Rockford. I put this up to take action on and vote on, on Monday, August 16, so it will be agendaed for the meeting." LAID OVER.

NEW BUSINESS

58. Alderman Beck introduced and read an Ordinance for Text Amendments to City of Rockford Ordinance to: Article 92 Definitions; 20-004 Allowed Uses; 21-002 Allowed Uses; 22-002 Allowed Uses; 23-002 Allowed Uses; 30-004 Mandatory Planned Unit Developments; 30-007 Design Standards and Criteria; 30-008 Procedures; 40-002-K, L, M; Article 91 General Terms. LAID OVER.
59. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Reed
City Council Clerk

[The meeting was taped in its entirety, and the tape is on file in the Legal Department]

CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS
City Council Chambers, 2ND floor City Hall
425 E. State Street, Rockford
August 16, 2010
6:00 P.M.
AGENDA

The following represents, in general, the chronological order of proceedings at the City Council meeting:

- Call to Order by the Mayor
- Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call and determination of quorum
- Acceptance of Journal of Proceedings
- Public Hearing
- Public Participation
- Petitions and Communications
- New Committee Reports (Reports of Standing Committees – Code and Regulation, Finance and Personnel, Planning and Development - and other select committees)

I. NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS TO BE READ IN AUGUST 16, 2010

A. CODE AND REGULATIONS

1. Beck – Amber Sawyer Claim
 2. Beck – Door to Door Solicitation Ordinance
 3. Beck – Pioneer Engineering and Environmental Services request for Ordinance Prohibiting Groundwater at 1010-1012 East State Street.
 4. Beck – Amendment to Article II, Chapter 2, Section 2-31, Rule 21; Governing Public Speaking.
- Officers Reports
 - Unfinished Business of previous meeting

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS LAID OVER AUGUST 9, 2010

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7. Hervey - Finance and Personnel - Recommending the Engineering Agreement: Larchmont Subdivision Water Main be made to Arnold Lundgren Associates for design engineering for a total not to exceed cost of \$28,700. The funding for this project will come from WRIA.

III. ORDINANCES LAID OVER AUGUST 9, 2010

1. Beck - Ordinance - For Text Amendments to City of Rockford Ordinance to: Article 92 Definitions; 20-004 Allowed Uses; 21-002 Allowed Uses; 22-002 Allowed Uses; 23-002 Allowed Uses; 30-004 Mandatory Planned Unit Developments; 30-007 Design Standards and Criteria; 30-008 Procedures; 40-002-K, L, M; Article 91 General Terms.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS LAID OVER AUGUST 9, 2010

- 1*. Mayor Morrissey - Appointment – Director of Human Resources; Ms. Julia Valdez to replace Jessica Jones.

V. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

1. Wasco - Motion - Discontinue the office of Human Resources Director of the City of Rockford and that the City Council devolve the duties of that office to the City Administrator: "With economic challenges facing the City of Rockford and declining revenues for the City of Rockford the City Council of the City of Rockford hereby directs the City Administrator to oversee the operations of the Human Resources Department with no additional monetary compensation to anyone unless approved by the City Council. Once the 2011 budget is approved the search for a new director or replacement may take place with the advice and consent of the City Council of the City of Rockford. I put this up to take action on and vote on, on Monday, August 16, so it will be agendaed for the meeting."
2. Beck – Resolution - Block 5 Festival, 8/28/10
3. Beck – Resolution - Memorial Service & March for Mark Barmore, 8/28/10

4. Beck – Resolution - Great Lakes Shriners Parade, 9/25/2010
5. Beck – Resolution - SWIFTT Festival, 9/04/10
6. Beck – Resolution - SomePlace Else II Street Fest, 8/28/10

VI. NEW BUSINESS (note: Ordinances may be read in under New Business and Rule 11 suspended and final vote taken. Committee Reports would have previously been voted on).

1. Beck – Ordinance - Recommending the approval of the right-of-way agreement with Swedish American Health Systems.
2. Beck – Ordinance - For No Parking Anytime in the cul-de-sac and on both sides of the 900 block of Grant Avenue.
3. Beck – Ordinance - That traffic on 13th Avenue be required to Yield prior to entering the intersection of 23rd Street.
4. Beck – Ordinance - SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the requests for Zoning Map Amendment from C-1, Limited Officer District to C-2, Limited Commercial District and a Special Use Permit for in-patient medical treatment facility and nursing care facility of more than ten acres in a C-2, Limited Commercial District at 33XX School Street and 3520 School Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:
 1. Meeting all applicable building and fire codes.
 2. Submittal of a final plat and building elevations for Staff review prior to the issuance of a building permit.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact.

5. Beck - SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the requests for Zoning Map Amendment from R-2, Two-Family Residential to C-3, General Commercial District; a Special Use Permit for auto body shop, towing and outside storage of tow trucks and customer cars; a Variation to reduce the parking lot setback from twenty feet wide to ten feet wide; and a Variation to reduce the required landscape buffer width from twenty feet wide to ten feet wide long the west side adjacent to residential in a C-3, General Commercial District at 515 and 821 Kishwaukee Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:
 1. Submittal of a revised site plan including the required handicap spaces for Staff's review and approval.
 2. Submittal of a landscape plan prior to issuance of a building permit for Staff's review and approval.
 3. There shall be no overnight outside storage of customer vehicles and only tow trucks may be stored overnight which will be limited to the location of the new parking lot.

4. All vehicles waiting for repair shall be currently licensed and registered.
5. There shall be no outside storage of vehicle parts, tires, wrecked/damaged and/or unlicensed vehicles.
6. Submittal of a fence elevation plan to be provided for Staff's review and approval.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact.

6. Thompson-Kelly – Ordinance - Recommending approval of the attached Development Agreement with JMZ Properties for TIF assistance up to \$47,290.00 in reimbursement of eligible redevelopment project costs.

* same action taken before

- Adjournment

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POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL ITEMS:

The following items appear on the City Council Standing Committee Agendas as noted. Items may receive a vote at committee and come before the first City Council meeting held after the committee meeting. Rule 11 can be suspended and final vote taken on said items at the City Council meeting (no rule suspension is necessary to take a vote on vouchers).

CODE AND REGULATION COMMITTEE

Monday, August 16, 2010, 5:15 p.m.

Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)

AGENDA

1. C & R 10-113 On The Waterfront Festival
2. C & R 10-131 Special Events:
 - 1a. Block 5 Festival
 - 1b. Memorial Service & March for Mark Barmore
 - 1c. Great Lakes Shriners Parade
 - 1d. SWIFTT Festival
 - 1e. Someplace Else II Street Festival
3. C & R 10-132 Pioneer Engineering & Environmental Services, Inc., Request for Ordinance Prohibiting Use of Groundwater at 1010-1012 East State Street
4. C & R 10-128 Modification to Solicitation Ordinance
5. C & R 10-123 Impounding of vehicles used in solicitation for a prostitute
6. C & R 10-130 Closed Session for Purposes of Pending Litigation

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Monday, August 16, 2010, 5:15 p.m.

**Conference Room B, City Hall 2nd floor (south room)
AGENDA**

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
 - A. Award of Bid: Sandy Hollow Emergency Repairs – Suspend rules
 - B. Rejection of Bids: City-Wide Pavement Marking – 2010 – Suspend rules
 - C. Change Order: City-Wide Residential Resurfacing – 2010 – Suspend rules
 - D. Emergency Purchase Order: Repaving Hovey Avenue
 - E. Resolution to take Bids/Proposals
 - F. Vouchers
2. Community Mediation Agreement

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Monday, August 16, 2010, 5:30 p.m.

**CD Conference Room, City Hall 2nd floor
AGENDA**

1. Memorandum from Vicki Manson, Development Programs Manager, regarding the Purchase Agreement between Landwhite Developers LLC and the City of Rockford for the property located at 1419 Blaisdell.
2. Closed Session to discuss Land Acquisition.

LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING COMMITTEE

Monday, August 16, 2010, ____ p.m.

**Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)
AGENDA**

No Meeting Scheduled.

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL MEETING OF THE WHOLE

Saturday, August 21, 2010, 9:00 a.m.

**City Council Chambers, City Hall 2nd floor
AGENDA**

To Be Announced